

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☒
no ☐

Property Name: Kauffman Electric Company Inventory Number: B-5161
Address: 3400 Boston St. City: Baltimore Zip Code: 21224
County: Baltimore City USGS Topographic Map: Baltimore East
Owner: The Kauffman Family Partnership Is the property being evaluated a district? yes
Tax Parcel Number: Tax Map Number: Tax Account ID Number: ward 26 section 020 block 6492 lot 013
Project: Boston Street: Ponca to Conkling Alignment Study Agency: City of Baltimore Dept. of Transportation
Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name: Date:
Is the property located within a historic district? x yes no

If the property is within a district

District Inventory Number: B-3704

NR-listed district x yes Eligible district yes District Name: Canton Historic District

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes x no Non-contributing but eligible in another context

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)

Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes no

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MIHP: B-5161

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Located just within the boundary of the NRHP Canton Historic District in Baltimore at 3400 Boston Street, Kauffman Electric Company is a two story industrial building constructed circa 1940. Rising up from a brick foundation, the Flemish bond brick walls have every sixth course protruding and a soldier coursing between each story (on the Baylis Street facade). Concrete capping lines each wall on the flat roof. The 1st story of the Baylis street main facade has been altered with a recessed concrete tiled wall and recessed doorways on either end taking up two-thirds of the wall's length. Window placements are symmetrical on the second story with a 2-3-2 pattern although all have new 1/1 double hung windows. The original southern wall (visible on the 2nd story and for half its length) has brick pilasters dividing the bays and although the windows are replaced they have their original asymmetrical placement. There are two significant additions, one of concrete block that rises two stories forming the corner of the southern and eastern walls, the other of beige brick that runs one-story for the full length of the building with 3 windows (8x10 lights). Three small corrugated metal 1 story additions also extend from the original additions. The full western wall has been altered with beige bricks which match the conterminous southern wall addition. The Kauffman Electric Company logo is painted on the western wall which is also has a recessed loading dock and symmetrical fenestration (4 windows with 5x7 lights). The building is well set back from Boston street and has fuel tanks, storage containers and equipment within the fenced lot. Historic row house residences (associated with Canton's early industrial workforce) begin immediately north of the building on S. Highland and Baylis streets. On account of the numerous and significant additions and alterations to 3400 Boston St., the

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended x Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: x A B x C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Comments: Contributor to Canton NR HD

John Tarlone
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services
[Signature]
Reviewer, NR Program

11/3/08 Date
11/6/08 Date

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Continuation Sheet No. 2

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building's historic fabric has been compromised and lacks its historic integrity. In the opinion of the preparer, the property is neither a contributing resource to the NRHP Canton Historic District or individually eligible for the NRHP.

Prepared by: Kevin May, Historic
Preservationist, EAC/Archaeology

Date Prepared: 9.2.2008

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. B-5161

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Kauffman Electric Company

other

2. Location

street and number 3400 Boston St. not for publication

city, town Baltimore vicinity

county Baltimore City

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name The Kauffman Family Partnership

street and number 3400 Boston St telephone

city, town Baltimore state MD zip code 21224

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. SDAT liber folio

city, town Baltimore City tax map tax parcel tax ID number ward 26 section 020 block 6492 lot 013

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	1
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	1
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Total
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Located just within the boundary of the NRHP Canton Historic District in Baltimore at 3400 Boston Street, Kauffman Electric Company is a two story industrial building constructed in 1947. Rising up from a brick foundation, the Flemish bond brick walls have every sixth course protruding and a soldier coursing between each story (on the Baylis Street facade). Concrete capping lines each wall on the flat roof. The 1st story of the Baylis street main facade has been altered with a recessed concrete tiled wall and recessed doorways on either end taking up two-thirds of the wall's length. Window placements are symmetrical on the second story with a 2-3-2 pattern although all have new 1/1 double hung windows. The original southern wall (visible on the 2nd story and for half its length) has brick pilasters dividing the bays and although the windows are replaced they have their original asymmetrical placement. There are two significant additions, one of concrete block that rises two stories forming the corner of the southern and eastern walls, the other of beige brick that runs one-story for the full length of the building with 3 windows (8x10 lights). Three small corrugated metal 1 story additions also extend from the original additions. The full western wall has been altered with beige bricks which match the conterminous southern wall addition. The Kauffman Electric Company logo is painted on the western wall which is also has a recessed loading dock and symmetrical fenestration (4 windows with 5x7 lights). The building is well set back from Boston street and has fuel tanks, storage containers and equipment within the fenced lot. Historic row house residences (associated with Canton's early industrial workforce) begin immediately north of the building on S. Highland and Baylis streets.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates ca. 1947; additions ca. 1960, 1970, 1985 **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

☒ National Register ☐ Maryland Register ☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)
Please see DOE form

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of Baltimore Vol. 5, 1890, 1914 & 1936. Digital Sanborn Maps (<http://sanborn.umi.com/>)
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Maryland State Department of Assessment and Taxation web site: (www.dat.statge.md.us)
Baltimore City IMS (iMAP): (<http://maps.baltimorecity.gov/imap/>)
Maryland State Archives online: (www.archivesofmaryland.net)
Maryland Judiciary Land Records online: (<http://mdlandrec.net/msa/stagser/21741/cfm/index.cfm>)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	1.337	
Acreage of historical setting	1.337	
Quadrangle name	Baltimore East	Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

City of Baltimore: ward 26 section 020 block 6492 lot 013

11. Form Prepared by

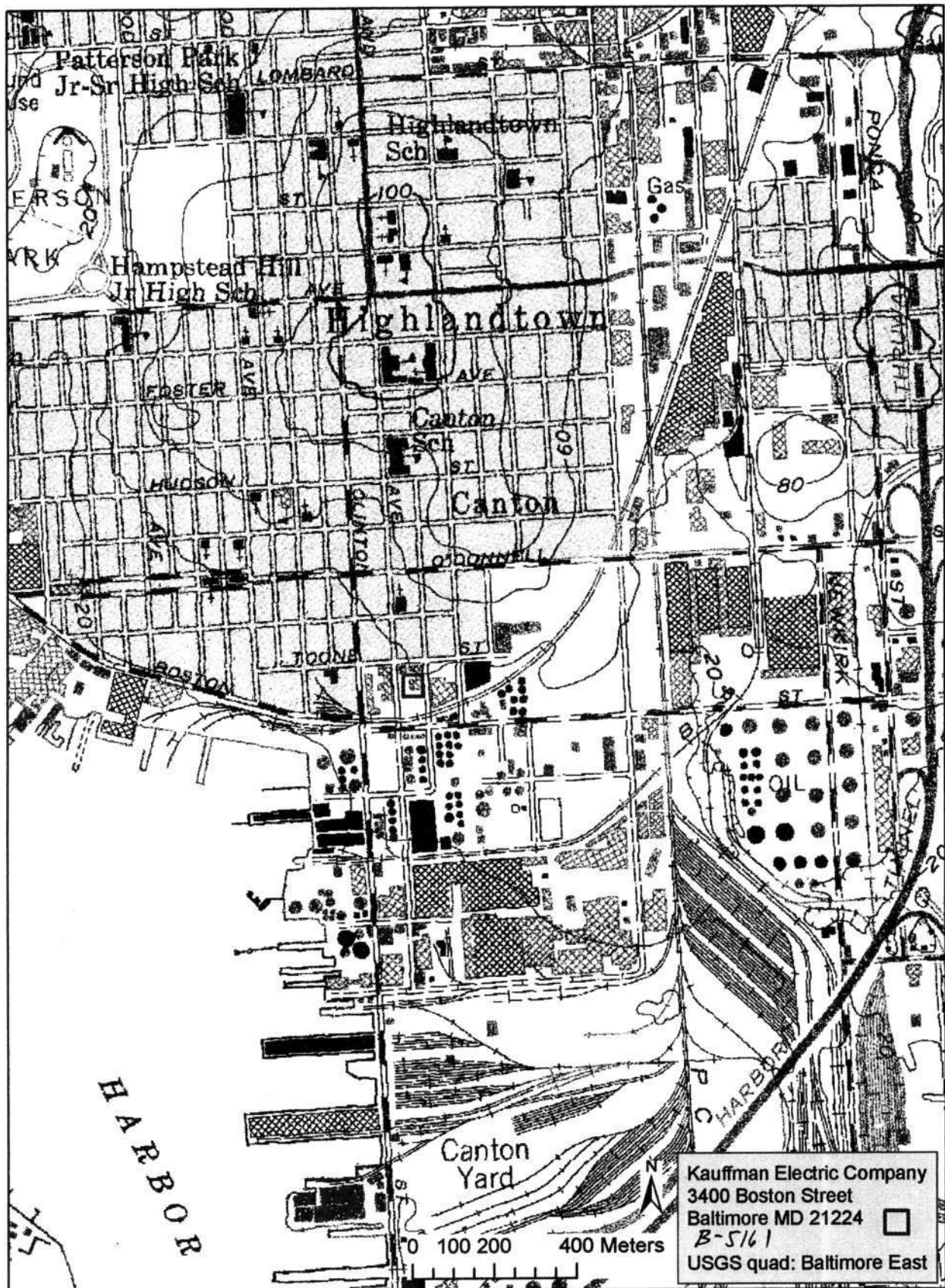
name/title	Kevin May, Historic Preservationist	
organization	EAC/Archaeology	date 9.5.2008
street & number	4303 North Charles Street	telephone 410.243.67
city or town	Baltimore	state MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

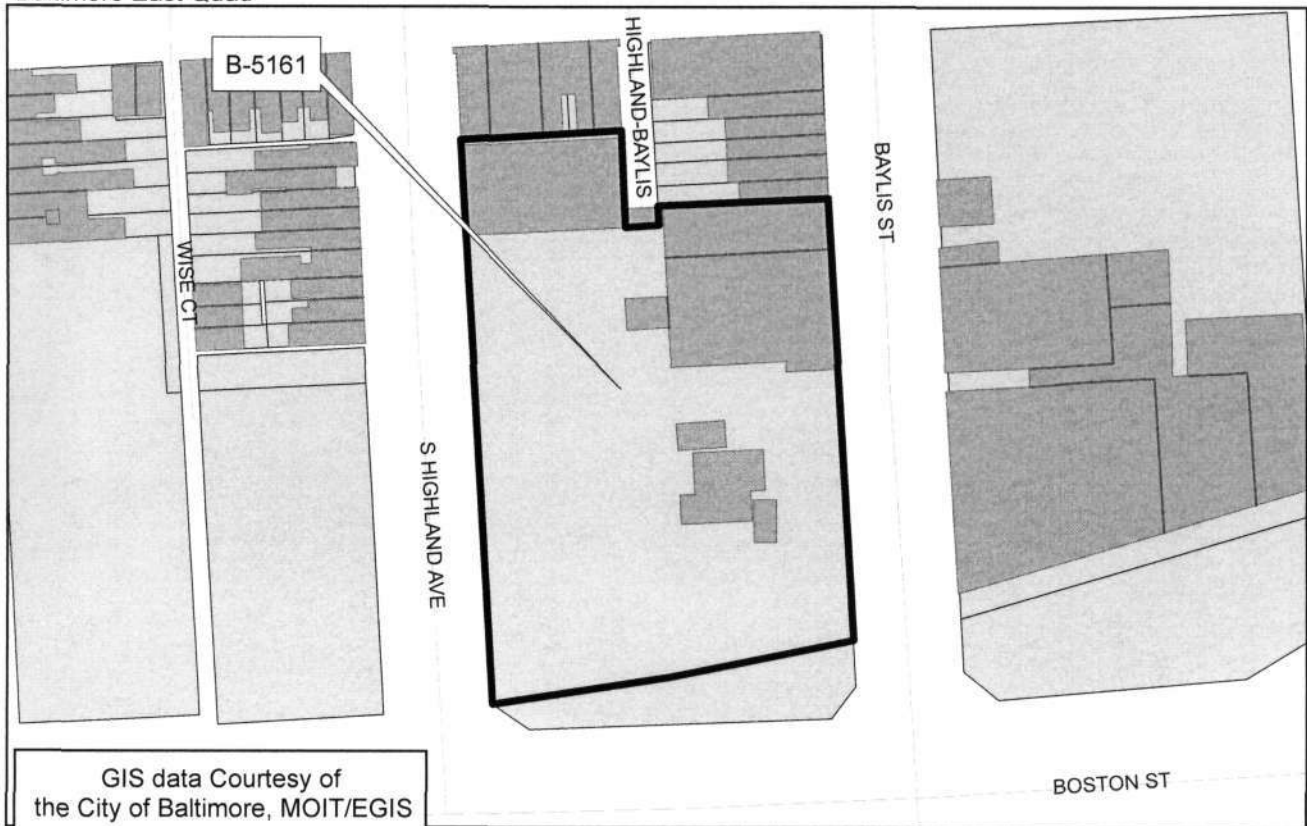
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Block 6492 Lot 013
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad





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South Facade

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New view towards Canton NREH District

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South Facade '8, '04

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